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Pleasant View Senior News

From the Center of It All

FEB 2017

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Upcoming Events

Tax Preparation by AARP volunteers begins on FRI, FEB 3 and will continue weekly through FRI, APR 7 by appointment *(we are closed for Good Friday on April 14th.)* This free service is geared toward seniors of low to moderate income, filing a simple tax return. Please bring a copy of your 2015 returns to your appointment. 525-5436.

TED Talks: NEW! TED Talks are short, motivational videos presented by world-renowned speakers of all different professions. You will not want to miss out on this opportunity to hear about a broad range of topics presented in new and exciting ways. Be sure to join us on the 1st WED of the month at 11:00 a.m. This month we will listen to Baya Voce, a certified Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) practitioner,

speak on the importance of connection as a way to cure loneliness.

Facebook Page: Did you know that we have a Facebook page? If you have FB you can find us as "Pleasant View Senior Center" and "like" our page so that you can stay up-dodate with events and what's happening!

Free Wi Fi: Feel free to stop in, grab a cup of coffee, and use our Wi Fi for your internet use. We also have computers available for use each WED from 1:00 - 4:00 PM.

Chair Yoga: NEW/ We are bringing Chair Yoga back with another 8-week series instructed by Marianne Wolslegel. This class will begin FRI, FEB 10th @ 2:00 PM. Cost is \$5 per class. Advance sign-ups required.

Director of Community Services

From Danell Tavella Thank you to everyone who has taken a moment to come see me and wish me well. Your words are heartfelt. With that said, I am honored to have been given the opportunity to take on this "new" role at the Senior Center. If you need assistance, please feel free to schedule an appointment with me. I am here MON through FRI from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. 525-5424 or 525-5436, ext. 1402

Fuel Assistance Program can help pay a portion of your bill for heating your house OR apartment (if your rent includes heat), between NOV I and APR 30. Eligibility is based on household gross income. Additional documentation is required.

Income limits as follows:

- Family of 1 \$34,001 gross
- Family of 2 \$44,463 gross
- Family of 3 \$54,925 gross
- Family of 4 \$65,387 gross

January Month in Review

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Hours Logged: 540 hours

Meals on Wheels Delivered: 1,800

Lunches Served: 500

Food Pantry Visits: 42

Are you interested in volunteering in some capacity? We have opportunities available for help with programs, decorating, kitchen and meal prep, Meals on Wheels delivery, office reception and data entry, Food Pantry stocking and organizing, and more. *Please call Alicia* © 525-5436, ext. 1406.

Meetings and Support Groups

Alzheimer's/Related Dementia Caregiver Support Group: Monthly afternoon meetings facilitated by COA Staff. Call Lissa for more information. 525-5436. ext. 1407.

<u>Loved Ones Engaged</u>: Support Group for people living with Demintia held at the same time as Caregiver Support Group. Must call Lissa to pre-register.

Baystate Deaf Seniors: WED 10:00 AM

Morning Glory Walkers Meeting: 2nd MON @ 9:00 AM.

<u>Senior Friendship Club</u>: THUR 12:30 PM. Weekly meeting followed by entertainment, speakers or BINGO.

Fitness, Fun and Activities

EXERCISE OPTIONS WITH LISSA:

Bosu Balance Class: TUE 8:30 AM; WED 10:00 AM; THUR 8:30 & 9:30 AM. \$1 class

<u>Chair Exercise</u>: MON/WED 9:00 AM; FRI 8:45 AM. \$3 per month or \$.50 per class.

Exercise Class: combines flexibility, strength training and light cardio. This is an evidence based Arthritis Foundation Program, but all are welcome! M,W,F 8:30 AM, T,TH, 10:45 AM. \$1 class

<u>Fitness Center</u>: Includes state-of-the-art cardio machines and weight station. Medical clearance required and initial visit with Lissa. Class card of 20 visits for \$10 or \$15 for out-of-town residents. *Age 90 + no charge.*

<u>Tai Chi for Health</u>: TUE 9:30 AM (Level 3); 10:30 AM (Level 2); Beginner TUE 11:30 AM

Bean Baq Baseball: FRI 9:30 AM

Billiards: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

<u>Bocce</u>: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, MON - FRI, Spring through Fall. Group play WED 10:00 AM.

Chair Volleyball: WED 1:00 PM

<u>Chair Yoga</u>: WED 2:00 PM \$5 (begins 2/10)

Line Dancing Class: FRI 4:00 PM. \$3

Morning Glory Walkers: M, W, F 8:00 AM

<u>Pickleball</u>: WED 11:30 AM at the CLC in First Baptist Church, 50 Parker Street \$1

<u>Tai Chi</u>: TUE 9:00 AM, *First Congregational Church @ the Rotary w/Shay Holda (FREE)*

Zumba: WED 4:00 PM w/Chef Grace \$5

Zumba Gold and Toning: MON 4:15 PM w/ Kelly Phillips \$5

Cards and Games

Canasta: THUR 12:30 PM

Cribbage: WED & FRI 10:00 AM

Dominoes: FRI 1:00 PM

Mah longg: TUE 12:30 PM

Pitch: MON 12:30 PM

Trivia Club: THUR 10:00 AM

At Your Service

<u>Blood</u> <u>Pressure</u> by appointment with our nurse, Lissa Fontaine, R.N. Ext. 1407.

<u>Footcare/Pedicare</u> on the 2nd TUES of each month. Cost is \$29 (Home visits \$50). Call 525-5436 for an appt. on *FEB 14.*

Hearing Screenings given here by Baystate Hearing Center on the 3rd WED each month, 10:00 - 11:00 AM. Free. Call 525-5436 for a 15 min. screening on *FEB 15*.

<u>Legal</u> <u>Consultation</u> with Attorney Dave Carlson on the 3rd TUES of each month. Call 525-5436 for a free 30 min. consult on *FEB 21*.

<u>License</u> <u>Renewals</u> Online renewals each 3rd WED @ 11:00 AM for <u>first time</u> <u>online</u> <u>renewals</u> <u>only</u>. You must be between age 55 - 74, have a credit card or checking ac-

count, an email account and no unpaid tickets or fines. Please sign up. *FEB 15*.

Massage Therapy on the 2nd & 4th MON of the month, FREE. Call Christina Conti, LMT @ 413-348-8370 for an appt. FEB 13, FEB 27.

Manicures on alternate THUR each month with Licensed Manicurist Cathy Rasid. Call her @ 413-335-7422 for price information and appointment. FEB 9, FEB 23.

<u>State Rep. Eric Lesser</u> visits the Senior Center every 3rd THUR @ 11:00 AM. *FEB 16*

<u>State Rep. Brian Ashe</u> visits the Senior Center every 4th THUR @ 11:00 AM. *FEB 23*

<u>Veterans Agent John Comerford</u> holds office hours at the Senior Center on TUES and THUR each week from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM. Call John @ 413-267-4140 for an appt.

Special Interest

Art Class: FRI 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM. \$15

Book Club: Last TUE 10:30 AM; When the Moon is Low by Nadia Hashimi. FEB 28

Children's Book Club for Seniors: 4th WED @ 11:00 AM. Relive the fun and adventurous feeling of reading a children's novel. FEB 22

Compassion and Kindness Endeavor: 2nd FRI @ 1:00 PM. We will make dresses for our Dress a Girl Around the World project. Bring your scissors and creative ideas. FEB 10

Computer Class: WED 1:00 PM

Creative Coloring: 1st & 3rd THUR 2:00 PM

French Club: WED 11:00 AM

Jewelry Class: 1st MON 9:30 AM. \$3 plus

cost of materials. No class FEB

Needlework: FRI 1:00 PM

<u>Voices & Vision</u>: 2nd THU 2:00 PM. Discussion group of the artistic interpretation of various quotations and themes. *FEB 9*.

Pleasant View Presents ...

Are You Interested? A survey is available at the Senior Center which was developed by the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission. Its purpose is to gather your interest in including a Mobile Food Pantry and a Housing Rehabilitation Program for this year's grant request for Community Development Block money. There will be a brief update and an opportunity for you to comment at scheduled presentation here on THUR, FEB 16th @ 12:30 PM.

Facebook Help: Join us on WED, FEB 22 @ 1:00 PM when staff from the E. L. Public Library come to our Senior Center to show you how to make a Facebook account and to answer any questions you may have about your existing FB account.

PVTA Public Hearing regarding the Senior Van Service Charge will be held in our Media Room on THUR, FEB 23 @ 3:30 - 4:30 PM and 6:00 - 7:00 PM. The general public is encouraged to attend.

Equipment Tune-Up: We are excited to announce that Home Helpers Home Care has partnered with Agawam Medical Supply Corporation and Connecticut Medical Supply Company to come to our senior center quarterly to adjust your cane, walker, and wheelchairs. This is a FREE clinic. Their next visits will be in APR, JUL, and OCT. The dates for these clinics will be provided in those respective monthly newsletters. Please call 525-5436 to sign up.

Movies and Documentaries

Every TUESDAY @ 12:45 p.m.

FEB 7: Mama Mia, PG-13, 2008, 1h 49m

FEB 14: My All-American, PG, 2015, 1h 58m

FEB 21: The Jungle Book, PG, 2016, 1h 46m

FEB 28: London Has Fallen, R, 2016, 1h 38m

Includes 10 min. intermission w/refreshments

Every MONDAY @ 12:45 PM.

Topic this month is *Europe's Last Great Wilderness*

FEB 6: Life Below Zero, 52m

FEB 13: Europe Green Heart, 52m

FEB 27: Europe's Living Waters, 52m

Friendship Club Thursdays

FEB 2 - BINGO

FEB 9 - Valentine's Day Party with a oneact play by Steve Henderson, "An Accidental Wedding". Sponsored in part by the East Longmeadow Cultural Council. You won't want to miss this hilarious encounter with a wouldn't be groom, an irate matchmaker, and a tall tale like they write tall tales about. A highly interactive, roll in the aisle comedy you won't want to miss. One act, about 45 minutes.

FEB 16 - \$5 BINGO

FEB 23 - BINGO

Memorial Donations

<u>Thank you</u> to those who remembered our Senior Center with donations in memory of: <u>Janice Michaelis</u>:

Charlotte Roda, Paul and Dot Joyce, Walt LaBroad, Carol & Richard Constant, Pamela & George Wegman, Morning Glory Walkers, Karen Lavinski, Melinda & Larry Mandeville, Foy & Ray Miller. Bacon & Wilson, Pauline Santanello, Noreen & Bob Begley.

Emergency Food Pantry

<u>East Longmeadow</u> families that express need can register by appointment with our Director of Community Services, Danell Tavella, to use our Emergency Food Pantry up to two times each month. You will need to bring proof of residency and provide the names and ages of all household members. Hours for use of the Food Pantry are 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, MON - FRI. Two to four bag limit depending on family size. For more information, please call 525-5424.

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Two-Town Trolley

The Two-Town Trolley is available MON through FRI, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM for East Longmeadow and Hampden seniors. Cost is \$1 each way for in-town transportation and \$2 each way for out-of-town transportation to Longmeadow and Springfield.

Every Tuesday we run an additional van as a shopping shuttle for East Longmeadow and Hampden seniors to do grocery, banking, and other store shopping in East Longmeadow or to Allen & Cooley Street in Springfield. Cost is \$1 each way.

24 hours notification is required for booking any transportation. Call 525-5412.

Homebound Library Delivery: If you are an East Longmeadow resident who is unable to visit the library due to sickness or disability, the library can come to you! They have teamed up with us to find volunteers to bring you books and other items that you request, as well as pick them up to be returned. You must have a valid library card to participate in the program. If you are interested in this service, please contact the library at 525-5400, ext. 1511.

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